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Our Case No. 8627/44 (PA-5464-RFB)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Jacob A. Flagle et al.	)	
	)	Examiner Jonathan ML Foreman
Serial No. 10/736,047	)	
	)	Group Art Unit No. 3736
Filing Date: December 15, 2003	)	
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For Guidewire with Flexible Tip	)	
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed May 18, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the rejections to this Application and to grant allowance of this Application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A request for continued examination (RCE) accompanies this paper.